National Highways in Uttar Pradesh

†1667. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of National Highways passing through Uttar Pradesh and the latest position thereof;

(b) the number of those National Highways required to undergo urgent repairs;

(c) the amount sanctioned for these National Highways during 2001-02;

(d) whether Government propose to convert some of the State Highways into National Highways in the States; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) 30 National Highways are passing through Uttar Pradesh. The length of these National Highways is 4942 km. out of which 1569 km. from part of National Highway Development Project (NHDP).

(b) Maintenance & repairs is a continuous activity. This is taken regularly out of the funds allocated for the purpose. National Highways are being maintained in traffic worthy condition within the available funds.

(c) 57 projects costing Rs. 233.54 crore were sanctioned for development of National Highways in the State. In addition, 17 projects amounting to Rs. 3549.72 crores for four-laning on NHDP and other routes were in progress during the year.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Road accidents

†1668. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the roads of the country are in the dilapidated condition where it is difficult to walk:

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